## Remarks

Applicant thanks the Examiner for withdrawing the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Treadwell and Corte. Applicant also thanks the Examiner for the helpful telephone interview held August 12, 2004. A statement of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the remarks below.

## Amendments to the Claims

Claims 2, 15, 17, 19, 25, and 27 have been amended to be in independent form. Claims 28-30 have been amended to be dependent on claim 27, which now is in independent form. Claim 15 has been amended to recite the word "mouse." Claim 24 has been amended to be dependent on claim 2. In the telephone interview held August 12, Examiner Lacouciere indicated that these amendments would render claims 2, 15, 17, 19, 25, and 28-30 allowable. applicants also have amended claim 16 to depend from allowable claim 2.

Claims 3-6 and 18 have been canceled.

None of the amendments adds new matter. The amendments comply with requirements of form set forth in the Advisory Action and in the telephone interview held August 12, 2004.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments.

## The Rejections of Claims 1, 16, 18, and 24 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 1, 16, 18, and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Rosenbaum et al., American Heart Journal 106, 957-64, 1983 ("Rosenbaum") and by Ahmed et al., Cardiovascular Drugs and Therapy 9, 827-28, 1995 ("Ahmed"). Claims 1 and 18 have been canceled. Claims 16 and 24 have been amended to depend from claim 2, which the Examiner indicated in the telephone interview held August 12, 2004 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. claim 2 has been so rewritten. Thus, claims 16 and 24 as amended also should be allowable.

Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection.

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